



Recognizable Offering.....\$9,319.00
Loose Cash \$945.63
Total Weekly Offering..... \$10,264.63
Mass Attendance June 16/17 378



June 25 - July 1
MondayJohanna Adam(liv)
Wednesday.....Mary Gates(+)
ThursdayPaul Jordan(liv)
FridayPeter Adams(liv)
Saturday.....Ben Vines(+)
Sunday.....Christopher Hinton(+)(8:00 a.m.)
.....St. Peter Parishioners(10:30 a.m.)

Baby Bottle Knights of Columbus
Baby Bottles
 If you were unable, or simply forgot, to bring back your filled baby bottle last weekend, the Knights will continue to collect them, so you still have time to bring it in. The Knights Annual Baby Bottle Drive benefits local right to life programs. Your support in continuing to make this a successful drive is greatly appreciated.

In this weekend's collection you had the opportunity to contribute to the Peter's Pence collection, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis such as help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. We want to thank you for your generosity and for taking the opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. If you missed the opportunity this weekend and wish to contribute, there is still time to do so. Donations from our parish to this fund need to be sent to our diocese by July 12.

Parishioners who do not receive offertory envelopes and wish to contribute can use an envelope in the pew. If you are using electronic giving you can log on to your account and make a onetime gift or use an envelope in the pew, if you prefer.



Weekly Calendar of Events

- 6/24 The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
- 6/25 Rosary after morning Mass
- 6/26 Bunco - 9:30 a.m.
- 6/27 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m.
- 6/28 Rosary after morning Mass
- 7/1 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Beginning this year, Religious Freedom Week is to be held annually June 22–29. It was previously known as *The Fortnight for Freedom, which we've been celebrating each year at the end of June and beginning of July,* and has recently been reconfigured. The observance is a bit shorter, but no less important. **This year's theme is Serving Others in God's Love.**

The USCCB is providing "Pray – Reflect – Act" one-pagers, one for each day, on different religious liberty topics at: www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/religious-liberty/religious-freedom-week/index.cfm. The materials are meant to inspire people to learn more about religious liberty from a Catholic perspective, to pray about particular issues, and give them the tools to act on what they learn.

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to all our VBS volunteers. Romper and the children managed to find Adventure, Acceptance, Joy, Rest and Peace on our Rolling River Rampage! St Peter Parish is truly blessed to have such wonderful, creative people and terrific teens!



Liturgical Roles*

Weekend of June 30/July 1
5:00 p.m.
Altar Servers: Kevin Van Dorn
Extraordinary Ministers: Alice Thompson, Joanna Farnum, Louise Perreault, Al Perreault, Doug Hoover
Lectors: Jan Comstock, Eric Van Dorn
Ushers: Mickey Shawbitz, Dan Brenton, Cora Podrang
Greeter: Lynn Brenton
Sacristan: Patty Shawbitz
Elijah Cup: Gloria Mulligan
8:00 a.m.
Altar Servers: Katherine Ballard, Evan Moore
Extraordinary Ministers: Nanette Bell, Nancy McCreary, Paul Johansen, Susan Johansen, Nancy Brandewie
Lectors: Don Dineen, Susi Evers
Ushers: Eden Carter, James Johansen, Maria Bridges
Greeter: Lynn Griggs
Sacristan: Victoria Ballard
Elijah Cup: Lynn and Stan Griggs
Coffee and Donuts: Richard Kalie
10:30 a.m.
Altar Servers: Celeste Clayton, Alexandra Manion, Christopher Manion
Extraordinary Ministers: Becky Bittakis, Rick Grecco, Alicia Grecco, Teresa McClure, _____
Lectors: Carolyn Alaniz, Warren Cabral
Ushers: Brian Prescott, _____, _____
Greeter: Karen Clayton
Sacristan: _____
Elijah Cup: Michael and Lisa Manion
Coffee and Donuts: Christopher and Lisa Manion

Saint Peter Parish Prayer Chain: For prayer needs, contact Angela Zangerle at (808)295-2587 or email her at stpeter.prayerchain@gmail.com

Hospitalized Parishioners: If you or a family member are hospitalized, please call the Parish Office, otherwise we have no way of knowing who in our parish is there.

In Your Daily Prayers, Please Remember our parishioners who are deployed and:

Monday Johanna Adam*, Steve Lange, Carlos López, Carol Dineen*

Tuesday Mary Eichler, Hiram Alaniz, Danny Labatte, Mike Kutcher, John Osborn*

Wednesday Gordon Pritchard*, Bette Dellner*, Aurora Beard, Christian Irwin*

Thursday Pam Bauchwitz*, Connie Jordan, Lucille Kesler, Connie Batten

Friday Lloyd Biehl*, Doug Babiak*, Rick Zern*, Chuck Gober*, Cheryl Darby

Saturday Peter Adam*, Mary Anyel*, Harper Spear, Lois McGown

Sunday Ann Hart, Samara Gillespie, Jennifer Draper, Donnie Simmons*

*Indicates our parishioners.

Please contact the church office if you or a family member can be removed from this prayer list.

Today is the Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist (the Feast Day of the birth of John the Baptist). To say John the Baptist and Jesus were closely related and connected is an understatement. Both were foretold by prophets, especially Isaiah. The only record of the birth of John the Baptist appears in the Gospel of Luke and it is at the heart of our Gospel Reading today. A key player in this event is, of course, John the Baptist's father Zechariah. Zechariah was a Jewish priest, but when the Archangel Gabriel revealed to him that he would father a child, Zechariah refused to believe it. As a result he was rendered speechless until John was born.



Zechariah had total trust in the Lord, however. Although it was traditional at that time to name the first son after the father, he and Elizabeth had been told that they were to name him John. As reported in the Gospel, Elizabeth said "He will be called John." The family protested at which time Zechariah wrote "His name is John." When he did that, Zechariah could speak once more. He did not say "should be"; he said "is."

The trust shown by Zechariah is an example to us that we must trust in God, not just when it is convenient, but all the time. Those of advanced generations know who Lawrence Welk was. Born and raised Catholic, Welk practiced his faith throughout his life. He once said, "Never trust anyone completely but God. Love people, but put your full trust only in God."

Our Parish COMMUNITY

June 24, 2018
Nativity of St. John the Baptist (B)
Is 49:1-6
Acts 13:22-26
Lk 1:57-66, 80

God's Mission for Us

When an artist begins a painting, she or he has the end result in mind. The final result, the inspiration, is what sets the artist in motion. Aristotle called this ideal the "final cause" because it was the first thing in mind (the inspiration) and the last to be realized (the final product).

When God gives life to a human at the moment of conception, he does so with a final mission in mind for that child. He gives life freely, but not without a plan.

You and I are not the result of a coincidence or a chain of chemical reactions. We began at the heart of a loving, purposeful God. God willed you and wants you! You are who you are because of God's infinite love. He created you as a unique and divinely designed human being. His purposeful hand reached out and lifted you into existence just the way you are.

Yet your creation is not merely in the past but a reality that touches you now. God holds you and keeps you in every moment of your life. With every breath and movement, God is sustaining you. Your life is a loving project of God today.

Like St. John the Baptist who was created and called to be Jesus' cousin and prepare the way for him, so you have a call to prepare the way for Jesus to enter your world. How you do that in your lifetime as well as how you do that today is something unique to you. Your life has a mission! What is it? —Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Do I have a strong sense of God's mission for my life?
What might be some of the elements?
How have I benefited from other people who have been generous with their own mission?



Piece: *The Baptism of Christ*
circa 1482
Artist: Pietro Vannucci
Location: Sistine Chapel

*Before birth the LORD called me,
from my mother's womb he gave me my name.*

Isaiah 49:1

Calendar

- Monday**
June 25
Weekday
2 Kgs 17:5-8, 15-15a, 18
Mt 7:1-5
- Tuesday**
June 26
Weekday
2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36
Mt 7:6, 12-14
- Wednesday**
June 27
Weekday
2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-5
Mt 7:15-20
- Thursday**
June 28
Weekday
2 Kgs 24:8-17
Mt 7:21-29
- Friday**
June 29
Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles
Acts 12:1-11
2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18
Mt 16:15-19
- Saturday**
June 30
Weekday
Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19
Mt 8:5-17
- Sunday**
July 1
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis 1:15-15; 2:25-24
2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15
Mk 5:21-43 or
5:21-24, 35b-43

Dear Padre,

We are told that we are baptized into Jesus' death and resurrection, and that baptism is necessary for our salvation. But why was Jesus baptized?

Jesus was not baptized in the Jordan River for the same reasons we are baptized today. Exactly why Jesus received baptism is known to him alone. Your question will be one that goes into the "everything you wanted to ask Jesus when you meet him in heaven" category. But scholars studying this question have reasonable assumptions about why Jesus requested baptism.

When Jesus requested baptism from John, he wanted to demonstrate that he identified with his people's search for God. Scholars speculate that after years of performing the duties of home and the carpenter's trade, Jesus had become increasingly conscious of his life's mission. It was time to seize the moment and begin his ministry. John balked, thinking he should be accepting baptism from Jesus—the long-awaited one. But Jesus prevailed, and a voice from heaven ratified his action. "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased" (Matthew 3:17).

After Jesus' baptism, John's mission was accomplished. Jesus took center stage. Identifying with his people's sinfulness, Jesus allowed himself to be baptized to demonstrate his solidarity with the people, signaling the beginning of the Messianic Age that John had promised.

We know the rest of the story. Later, Jesus would commission his apostles to baptize all nations. This would be a baptism of water and the Spirit, signifying that the baptized had found Jesus and were living in forgiveness and freedom.

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A Word From Pope Francis



That is the purpose of our mission: to identify the material and immaterial needs of the people and try to meet them as we can. Do you know what agape is? It is love of others, as our Lord preached. It is not proselytizing, it is love. Love for one's neighbor, that leavening that serves the common good.

—Interview with *La Repubblica*, October 1, 2013